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SENATOR BEUTLER: With regards to the excess in the Securities Fund, Senator, that would yield conceivably a half a million dollars on an annual basis to the NRDs, just taking that half of the amendment alone, what would be your objections to that?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, Senator, I don't know... I will again express some reservations, as I did earlier, about not knowing what the needs are, and I believe that that kind of an analysis is done better in the Appropriations Committee than it is in the Revenue Committee. We're...we are more often able to analyze revenue streams to determine whether we're matching those on an equitable basis, but we're not...we're not geared up, as is the Appropriations Committee to...is, to evaluate needs. Now when we proposed 1114 to the body, we knew that we were asking them to reduce their reliance on a particular kind of revenue, property taxes, without knowing exactly what their aggregate needs might turn out to be. But, in this instance, I can't say that as a priority matter that I believe that we ought to dedicate, and I take it that it's an ongoing dedication of a revenue stream, whatever it generates, and I'm assuming that it would not always be \$6 million because I think that is dependent on, if I recall correctly, fees assessed on the transactions, and it might not always be \$6 million. The other issue that might...or maybe you're not doing an ongoing appropriation. I quess you're transferring it into a trust fund and maybe I ought to speak about my reservations about trust funds a little bit. I know that we created one last year to deal with needs of the Arts Council. I will confess to having supported that but with rather extreme amount of reservations because I think one of the things that will happen over time as we create those trust funds and think that they're adequate when they're absolutely not adequate over time. You'll find that the interest generated off \$6 million is not adequate. I think the Arts Council is going to find out that whatever revenues are generated off \$5 million are not adequate over time, and that there will be an ongoing need to supplement those appropriations. Persons who remember that we made those allocations are then going to be wary about future allocations to them. And you may be a little bit astonished but I think that the trust fund idea also doesn't, in some respects, allow us to properly evaluate what the needs are in any given year.